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## Amendments to the Claims/Listing of Claims:

Please amend Claims 1 and 16 as follows. This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

- (Currently Amended) A method of reducing energy consumption in a building comprising: coating one or more external vertical walls of said building with a heat reflective wall paint comprising at least one heat reflective metal oxide pigment;
  - wherein said pigment comprises a solid solution having a corundum-hematite crystal lattice structure,
  - wherein <u>said pigment causes</u> the surface temperature of the resultant coated wall [[is]] <u>to be</u> lowered relative to the surface temperature of <u>a similarly situated</u> <u>the</u> wall coated with a non-reflective wall paint of the same color such that less energy is consumed to cool the interior of said building.
- 2. (Previously presented) A method of painting an external vertical wall of a building comprising:
  - applying a heat reflective wall paint comprising at least one heat reflective metal oxide pigment to said wall,
  - wherein said at least one heat reflective metal oxide pigment comprises a solid solution having a corundum-hematite crystal lattice structure.
- 3. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said heat reflective wall paint comprises titanium dioxide.
- 4. (Canceled)
- 5. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said heat reflective metal oxide pigment is an oxide of a metal selected from the group consisting of aluminum, antimony, bismuth, boron, chrome, cobalt, gallium, indium, iron, lanthanum, lithium, magnesium, manganese, molybdenum, neodymium, nickel, niobium, silium, tin, vanadium, and zinc.

- 6. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said coated wall reflects light of infrared wavelengths.
- 7. (Original) The method of claim 6, wherein said infrared wavelength ranges from 750 to 2500 nm.
- 8. (Original) The method of claim 7, wherein said infrared wavelength ranges from 800 to 2450 nm.
- 9. (Original) The method of claim 8, wherein said infrared wavelength ranges from 900 to 2400 nm.
- 10. (Original) The method of claim 9, wherein said infrared wavelength ranges from 1000 to 2300 nm.
- 11. (Original) The method of claim 10, wherein said infrared wavelength ranges from 1500 to 2000 nm.
- 12. (Original) The method of claim 6, wherein said coated wall exhibits an infrared reflectance above 30%.
- 13. (Original) The method of claim 12, wherein said coated wall exhibits an infrared reflectance above 50%.
- 14. (Original) The method of claim 13, wherein said coated wall exhibits an infrared reflectance above 70%.
- 15. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the color of said heat reflective wall paint is not white.
- 16. (Currently amended) The method of claim 15, wherein said heat reflective wall paint is a [[dark]] color tending toward black.

- 17. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein said heat reflective wall paint is black, blue, green, yellow, red, or any combination thereof.
- 18. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said heat reflective wall paint comprises from 35 to 50% solids by weight, and from 30 to 40% solids by volume.
- 19. (Original) The method of claim 18, wherein said heat reflective wall paint comprises from 37 to 47% solids by weight, and from 32 to 38% solids by volume.
- 20. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein said surface temperature of said resultant coated wall is lowered by at least 20 °F.
- 21. (Previously presented) The method of claim 20, wherein said surface temperature of said resultant coated wall is lowered by at least 30 °F.
- 22. (Previously presented) The method of claim 21, wherein said surface temperature of said resultant coated wall is lowered by at least 40 °F.
- 23. (Previously presented) The method of claim 22, wherein said surface temperature of said resultant coated wall is lowered by at least 50 °F.
- 24. 29. (Canceled).
- 30. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1 further comprising applying a primer to said one or more external vertical walls of said building prior to said coating.
- 31. (Previously presented) The method of claim 30 wherein said primer is white.
- 32. (Previously presented) The method of claim 31 wherein said primer is achromatic and reflects all light of visible wavelengths.
- 33 (Previously presented) The method of claim 30 wherein said primer is applied with a wet thickness of 16 to 20 mil.

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- 34. (Previously presented) The method of claim 30 wherein said primer is a textured primer.
- 35. (Previously presented) The method of claim 34 wherein said primer is applied at approximately 50 to 60 square feet/gallon.
- 36. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 1 wherein pigmentation in said heat reflective wall paint consists essentially of at least one heat reflective metal oxide pigment.
- 37. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 36 wherein said pigmentation in said heat reflective wall paint is provided by a plurality of said heat reflective metal oxide pigments.